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Winter Library Challenge: Sled and Skate to the Library

There are many ways to get to the Library, and there is something for everyone!

Happy 2011! Start off the New Year by participating in the Winter Library Challenge. Need an incentive to get going on your resolutions to read more books, see more movies, listen to more music? You'll be rewarded for every item you check out of the Library and for every program you attend. You will earn chances to win prizes as well. See details on page 3.

Card-Making Extravaganza for All Ages

Sat., Jan. 29, come in between 10 am – 12:30 pm

Just in time for Valentine's Day, the Library will be converting the Baxter Room into a greeting card studio with a variety of stations for you to use. Assistance and instruction as well as supplies will be provided for making Valentine cards for the special people in your life.

You can print from a computer, use stamps, cut-outs, and a wide variety of artistic techniques to create customized cards. Drop in to make your special Valentine cards. No experience necessary.

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Ben Schapiro: From the Director's Desk

THE FACTS ABOUT LIBRARY FUNDING

In recent weeks, there have been lots of questions and concerns about how the library gets and spends its money. So I thought I'd clear up the confusion and give you the facts:

- **Home Rule Public Libraries in Illinois, like MGPL, are prohibited from using bonds or loans to fund operations or projects.** This is different than municipalities, which can operate at a revenue deficit by selling bonds. Instead, libraries must depend on their property tax levy, overdue fines, grants, donations and interest income to fully fund operations, unlike municipalities,
- **In addition, we receive our funding for operations on a year-to-year, cash on hand basis.** But we do not even control our own cash flow. Cook County's delays in paying the library have caused real problems with our cash flow. For the last several years, at least a third of the levy has arrived after the end of the fiscal year.
- **Non-tax revenue has declined sharply in the last three years.** In 2011 the Library will very likely lose close to $26,000 in grants that the State appears to have stopped funding. However, we'll receive just $31,673 more in property tax funding than in 2010. In order to maintain the building and continue to provide services, we have to tap into the cash reserve for about $400,000.
- **The 2011 budget includes money to safely begin to replace the aging bits and pieces that make this building work.** We are not talking about gold or silver or even nickel-plating things, just solid functional stuff to keep the library building working. In addition, much of what we save every year gets plowed into the Special Reserve Fund for Buildings and Grounds for unbudgeted costs to maintain the library. The rest goes into the cash reserve.

GRANT SUBMITTED TO BENEFIT THE WHOLE COMMUNITY

The Library has just submitted a grant proposal for $200,000 as part of the Model Communities Program supported by the Cook County Department of Public Health, the Public Health Institute of Metropolitan Chicago and the Alliance for Healthy & Active Communities. The *Communities Putting Prevention to Work* program is funded through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, as part of a nation-wide effort to address the rising rates and burden of obesity in the United States.

Working with a number of local organizations, the grant includes funding for the following initiatives:

- A village-wide program of healthy food and nutrition education
- School and community gardening (there will be a garden at the Library)
- Safe routes to school
- A village-wide non-motorized transportation plan for use as the Village continues to update its roads

To accomplish this, MGPL is serving as the umbrella organization bringing together the Chicago Botanic Gardens, ELL Center (Niles Township, Niles North/Niles West), School District 70–Parkview School, School District 63–Melzer, School District 67–Golf & Hynes School, Julia Molloy Education Center, Muslim Education Center, Morton Grove Garden Club, Morton Grove Park District, the Village and many more local organizations too numerous to mention.

Close to 30 local institutions and community groups have written letters in support of this project.

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This is a great example of how a community can work together to deal locally with an issue that is national in scope. If we win grant approval, work will begin in February.

"PICTURE THIS" CONTEST HEADS TO THE FINISH LINE

As I write this, we are in second place to win $10,000 in the Playaway "Picture This" Contest. If you have been in the Library or visited the website in November and December, you know about our promotion of Playaway audio books, which we added to the collection some two years ago.

The contest has made for an exciting competition. Your Library made it into the top ten finalists of this nationwide contest due to the hard work of librarians Leah White, Jill Wehrheim, Chris Breitenbach (who created our videos), staff member Karina Guico, and several very inventive teens who created their own videos. Leah and Jill, along with the rest of the Reference team, created an engaging and imaginative in-house promotion campaign. We've been trading 1st and 2nd place with another, much larger, library for the grand prize because of the support of our patrons and friends worldwide. You can see some of the promotional videos we and the teens created on our YouTube channel: http://www.youtube.com/webrary.

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Donate Mittens, Gloves, Hats and Scarves to the Niles Township Food Pantry
Help keep Morton Grove residents warm during the winter through your donation of NEW mittens, gloves, hats and scarves. Collection boxes will be by the Check-out Desk; donated items will be taken to the Niles Township Food Pantry through March 6.

At Your Service

The Morton Grove Public Library has more than 150,000 items ranging from current best-sellers to recently released DVDs, CDs, and audiobooks, world language books, English-language learner materials, popular computer, history and health-care titles, and more than 400 magazines and newsletters covering a wide range of subjects.

Did you know about these free services at the Library?

- **24/7/365:** Many library services are available online, all the time. Are you working on a research project? Want to download an audiobook? Want to read a newspaper? Even when the building is closed, you can access these services and many more at 24-7.webrary.org.
- **Computer access to the Internet and WiFi:** Use one of the Library's public access computers or bring your laptop and use the free WiFi network.
- **Homework help and research assistance:** The librarians can help you research topics for school projects, work/studies, or enjoyment.
- **Computer workshops:** The Library offers hands-on computer workshops, ranging from basic to advanced. Attend these classes to learn how to use computers and the Internet, acquire valuable work-place skills and research techniques, find out about social network sites for business and personal use, and much more. See pages 14 & 15.
- **MatchBook and MatchBook for Kids** provide monthly e-lists of new books, CDs, and movies available at the Library, matched to your interests. Check out www.webrary.org/rs/matchbookabout.html to subscribe to the service that meets your needs: a monthly e-mail letter, newsletters throughout the month, lists just for kids, or customized do-it-yourself lists.
- **Homebound delivery** is available for residents of Morton Grove who cannot come to the Library because of illness or physical disability. Call Nancy Brothers, Coordinator of Programming, at 847-929-5122.

Sled and Skate to the Library

Morton Grove Public Library 2011 Winter Library Challenge

Adults and Teens:

Are you up for the challenge of reading more books, seeing more films, and listening to more music this winter? Beginning January 10, you can "track" items checked out and MGPL programs attended on a a dog-sledding map or online at timetoread.webrary.org. You'll get a drawing entry for every checkpoint and your choice of lip balm or an ice scraper after you complete every four items (limit 2 prizes per participant). The drawings will be for:

- Teens: A snowboard
- Adults: Winter Survival Gift Bag: gifts and food items

Complete all the checkpoints and receive a knit hat.

Children from Birth through 6th Grade

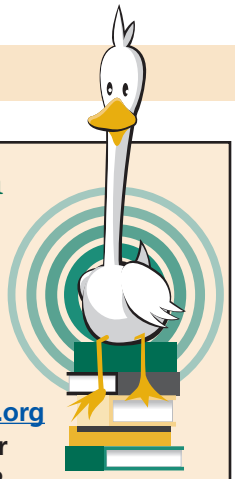
Visit the Library every week between January 10 and March 6. Each visit earns you a ticket for a drawing for one of several gift cards to Toys R Us. Complete 6 of 8 weeks and earn a "cool" MGPL knit cap. Do mini book reviews for a chance to win Chicago Wolves tickets. Visit the MGPL website, or stop by or call the YS desk to register or for more information. Preregistration begins December 20.

GRAND PRIZES for All Ages

All participants will be eligible to enter a grand prize drawing for one of three prizes: family memberships at the Field Museum, the Adler Planetarium, or the Kohl Children's Museum. One prize per family.

Tickets for Cirque Du Soleil *Dralion* Drawing

Win a family four-pack of tickets to see *Dralion* by Cirque Du Soleil at the Sears Centre Arena in Hoffman Estates. From December 20 to January 9, when you preregister for the Winter Library Challenge, you can enter the drawing for the tickets. The *Dralion* performance will be Thursday, January 27, 2011 at 7:30 pm. The Library has partnered with the producers of *Dralion*; the tickets have been donated to the Library and are not exchangeable or refundable.



Registration Classes

Winter Session:
Jan. 4 – Feb. 24
Register online at:
calendar.webrary.org
at the YS Desk or call 847-929-5102.

Library Playtime
2-Year-Olds & Parents or Caregivers
Thursdays, 10:30 am
Class limit – 12 children, 12 parents

Preschool Storytime
Ages 3 – Kindergarten
Wednesdays, 10:30 am OR 1 pm
Class limit – 30

Stories & Stuff
Grade K, 1, and 2; Tuesdays, 6:30 pm
Class limit – 12

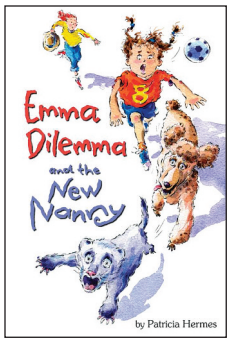
Sleepytime Stories
Ages 4–7
Third Thurs., Jan. 20 and Feb. 17, 6:30 pm
Children can bring a favorite stuffed animal or doll and attend this very special story hour featuring bedtime stories and activities. Pajamas are optional. Class limit – 20

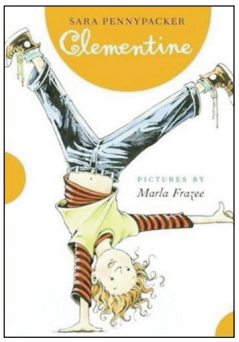
Moovin' and Groovin' for ages 2–4
No class in January.
Sat., Feb. 5, 10 am
Do you have a toddler who likes to dance? Come join the YS staff in this fun, physical activity class that includes music, dancing, marching, musical instruments, parachute games and creative movement. Reg. req. Class size 12.

Mother/Daughter Book Discussion Group

***Emma Dilemma and the New Nanny* by Patricia Hermes**
Wed., Jan. 5, 7–8 pm

***Clementine* by Sara Pennypacker**
Wed., Feb. 2, 7–8 pm





Bring your mother (aunt, grandmother, neighbor, older sister, teacher) with you for a discussion of these books. Register to be part of the group and pick up your own free copy of the book at the Youth Services Desk. (Limit: 10) Share it with your "mom" and then bring it with you to the Library and enjoy some fun activities and a lively discussion of the story and characters. Refreshments will be served. For 3rd and 4th grade girls. Register online at: calendar.webrary.org, at YS Desk or call 847 929-5102.

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Winter Library Challenge (ALL children, birth through 6th grade): Preregistration begins December 20

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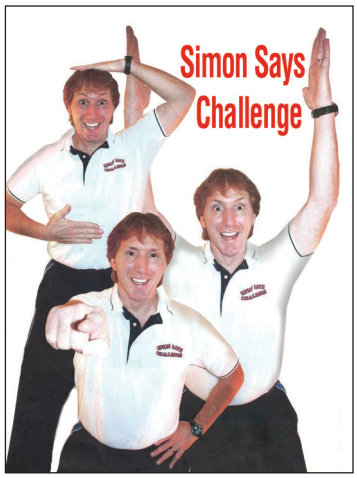
"Bundle Up" Stories: Birth – Preschool

Sat., Jan. 8, 10:30 am

Our winter program kicks off with Miss Ronnie's winter stories. Join us around our fireplace to hear stories, do a craft and have refreshments. Every child who participates and has preregistered for the Winter Program will be entered in a special drawing.

Simon Says, "Come to the Library for Our Read to Succeed Kick-Off!"

Sun., Jan. 9, 1–3 pm



Simon says, "Sign-up for the Winter Library Challenge." Simon says, "Eat pizza with us." Simon says, "Compete in a HUGE Simon Says competition." Simon says, "Win prizes." "Have fun!" Gotcha! Simon says, "Have fun!" Simon says, "No registration required."

Read to the Rainbow Dogs

Mondays: Jan. 10, 24, Feb. 28, 7 pm

Special Dogs... ...Special Kids
Rainbow Animal Assisted Therapy

Your child can practice reading to a certified therapy dog from Morton Grove's Rainbow Animal Assisted Therapy Foundation. Come in or call and sign up for a turn with one of the dogs. Bring a book you want to read or choose from our selection and read to our four-legged friends. Reg. req. for fifteen-minute sessions.

Create Peace: Creative Paper Mosaic Mural, All Ages

Mon., Jan. 17, 11 am

Come celebrate the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. by creating a beautiful mosaic celebrating peace. All ages are welcome to contribute to this giant art installation that will reflect Dr. King's message about all people making this world a better place by working together. Adult or caregiver must accompany children under eight.

Build Peace: Ultimate Lego Build Challenge for All Ages

Mon., Jan. 17, 12:30 pm

Honor Dr. Martin Luther King the Lego way by building a peace sign out of Lego bricks. Children of all ages are welcome to join the fun and contribute to the big challenge of making something circular out of the square Lego bricks. A parent or adult caregiver must accompany children under eight.

The Spellbinder Presents: African American Magical History and Magic Show

Mon., Jan. 17, 2 pm

The Spellbinder has performed all over the country and now he is bringing his amazing show to Morton Grove. He mixes wonderful

state-of-the-art magic with music and a stylish presentation to portray the history of African Americans who were pioneers in the performance of magic.

Coloring: It's Not JUST for Little Kids, for Grades 3–6

Thurs., Jan. 13, 6:30–7:30 pm

Using fine-tip markers, quality colored pencils and watercolor pencils we'll work on coloring projects beyond the scope of little kids. Take home your framed masterpiece. Reg. req. Limit of 20 children.

Super-Duper Sunday Stories, for Grades 2–4

Paul Bunyan

Sun., Jan. 23, 2–3 pm

Aesop's *The Wind and the Sun*

Sun., Feb. 27, 2–3 pm

Tall tales, American folklore, fables and far-out fantasy will be the focus of this new monthly storytime with themes and discussion aimed at students in grades 2-4. This special storytime, hosted by Brenda Glenn, will be held on the 4th Sunday of each month. Reg. req. Limit of 15 children.

Drop-In Classes

Monday Morning Playgroup

10:30-11:30 am

Note: No meeting Jan. 17

Tots of all ages and their parents or caregivers can gather at the Youth Services Dept. to meet new friends, play and have lots of fun in our activity room.

Drama Club for Ages 6 and up

First FRIDAYS, Jan. 7 and Feb. 4, NEW TIME – 4:30- 5:30 pm

Learn to love acting and meet new friends with fun-filled activities on stage in the Baxter Room.

Knitting Club

MONDAYS, 4 – 5 pm

No registration required. Bring a project or learn a new one. Ages 6 and up.

Listen Up!

TUESDAYS, at 10 am.

Drop-in storytime for preschool children and their caregivers. Children hear stories and songs, interact in a group and do a craft.

Wee Read Lapsit Program, for ages 0 – 24 months.

FRIDAYS at 11 am

Note new date: Also offered on the third SATURDAY, Jan. 15, and Feb. 19, at 10 am

Hear songs and stories and enjoy playtime.

Family Chess

First TUESDAYS: Jan. 4 and Feb.1, 4:00-5:30 pm.

Beginners and experienced players of ALL ages are welcome.

Crafty Saturday

Second SATURDAYS: Jan. 8, and Feb. 12, 10 am – 4 pm while supplies last.

Drop in to the YS Dept. to make a seasonal craft.

MORE YOUTH PROGRAMS

Preschool and Child Care Fair

At the Skokie Public Library, 5215 Oakton
Tues., Feb. 1, 6:30 pm

It's preschool registration time! Find the right program for your child by meeting and talking with dozens of local preschool teachers and child care providers. Social services agencies, special education centers, and enrichment programs will also be represented. This year's Fair will be in partnership with the Skokie Public Library and will be held at the Skokie Public Library Children's activities will be provided by Skokie and Morton Grove Librarians at the Skokie Public Library.

"Hoo" Barfed? Grades 3–6

Thurs., Feb. 10, 6:30-7:30 pm

Learn about owls, their habitats and their prey. THEN we'll dissect owl pellets, identify what our barn owl friends had for dinner and chart our results. Reg. req.; limit of 20 children.

Magical Balloon-Dude Dale Presents: I ♥ Balloons

Sat., Feb. 12, 2 pm

This incredible show will amaze and amuse the whole family. Magical Balloon-Dude Dale will make you laugh with his comic antics at the same time that he twists balloons into wonderful shapes, creating sculptures that capture the imagination.

Discovery Center Museum Presents:

The Physics Forces and Motion Show
Mon., Feb. 21, 2 pm

This fun and impressive science show features the biggest physics experiments ever done on a stage. You will see a giant bowling ball pendulum and a bed of nails along with many more curious and interesting sights. This is one science lesson about physics that no one will forget! Discovery Center Museum is named to National Geographic Society's "Top Ten Children's Museums."

Reader's Theater Featuring *Where the Wild Things Are and Faraway Home*: Grades 1–6

Fri., Feb. 18, 4-6 pm

Come join us for theatrical fun on the Baxter Room stage! This is a great way for children to experience acting and storytelling. Children will read scripts made from the wonderful classic children's stories *Where The Wild Things Are* and *Faraway Home* and will perform by reading the scripts and acting out these dramatic tales for parents and friends. Reg. req; limit of 25 children.

Children's Dental World Presents: Dental Health Fun

Wed., Feb. 23, 10 am

Come celebrate Nationa Children's Dental Health Month with a dentist and dental hygienist who will show your child that dentists can be fun and informative. They will use puppets to show how best to brush your teeth, discuss healthy nutrition and much more. Fun goody bags will be handed out to each child (while supplies last).

Kids Flicks

***Alpha and Omega* (2010, PG, 78 min.)**
Fri., Jan. 14, 4 pm

Rival wolf packs are on the march and conflict is brewing. Only Kate and Humphrey can restore the peace. But first, they have to survive each other. (Animated.)

***Open Season 3* (2010, PG, 75 min.)**
Fri., Feb. 11, 4 pm

When Boog's pals choose family obligations over the annual guys' trip, a disappointed Boog takes a trip on his own, which leads him right into the middle of a circus ring. When he switches places with a devious circus grizzly and falls for a troupe member, he comes to realize that maybe you don't have to choose between family and friendship after all.

Wired Teen Zone

Jill Wehrheim, Young Adult Librarian

Welcome to Wired: The Teen Zone! Are you a 7th–12th grader looking for something to do with your friends? Check out these fun programs! If you like to cook, read, perform, learn, craft, or have fun, we have great programs for YOU!

Teen Library Council (TLC) Meeting

Tues., Jan. 4, 7 pm
Tues., Feb. 1, 7 pm
Get involved in the Library, meet other teens, and earn volunteer service hours! Food and drinks will be provided.

Mango Club

Mon., Jan. 17, 7 pm
Mon., Feb. 7, 7 pm
Want to learn a new language? Come to Mango Club! Hang out with your friends, eat snacks, and learn words in a foreign language. For teens 7th grade and up.

Gettin' Saucy Teen Cooking Class

Wed., Jan. 19, 6 pm: reg. opens 1/5
Tues., Feb. 22, 6 pm: reg. opens 2/8
Learn to prepare delicious food! There is room for eight chefs; reserve your spot today! Registration is required.

WATCH FOR BATTLE OF THE BOOKS, GRADES 6–8 MEETS, BEGINNING IN FEBRUARY!

Improv Club

Tues., Jan. 25, 7 pm
Mon., Feb. 21, 7 pm
Do you like to perform? Play fun improvisational games up on stage!

VIDEO GAMING

Teen Winter Library Challenge Kick-Off
Sun., Jan. 9, 2–4 pm
Kick off the Teen Winter Library Challenge with video gaming at the library! Register for the Winter Library Challenge and learn about the great prizes you can win!

Teen Video Gaming
Mon., Feb. 21, 11:30 am – 1 pm
Spend your time off from school playing video games at the Library! Bring your friends, play games and eat pizza!

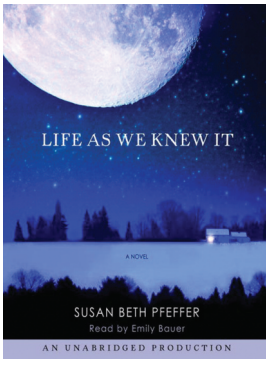
Babysitting Basics

Captain Porter of the Morton Grove Fire Department (left) and the students who completed the Fall 2010 Babysitting Basics course.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Best Teen Books of 2010
Mon., Jan. 24, 7 pm
Do you have a favorite book from 2010? Come to this book discussion and tell us why it's the best! Snacks will be provided.

R.E.A.D.: Read, Eat, and Discuss!
Mon., Feb. 28, 7 pm



Join us for a teen book discussion of *Life As We Knew It* by Susan Beth Pfeffer! Share your thoughts on the book, play Jeopardy and enjoy food and drinks. Registration is required.

Niles West High School Student Art Show

Art students from Niles West will be exhibiting their original work such as paintings, photography, computer art, collages, and mixed media, in the Baxter Room through the month of January.

To register:
- Call 847-929-5101.
- Stop by the Reference Services Desk.
- Online at calendar.webrary.org

DIY CRAFTS

Card-Making Extravaganza

Sat., Jan. 29, 10 am – 12:30 pm
Make a beautiful Valentine's Day card for someone special during this library-wide craft program! We'll guide you and your friends as you create your own greeting cards. Instruction and supplies are provided.

Quilled Snowflakes

Sat., Feb. 5, 1 pm
Create beautiful quilled snowflakes using just paper and glue! Instructions and supplies are provided. Registration is required.

JANUARY 201

CHILDREN & FAMILIES TEENS ADULTS

**Registration required*

Every Monday at 10:30–11:30 am: Monday Morning Playgroup for all ages
Every Monday at 4:00 pm: Youth Services Knitting Club
Every Monday at 3 pm: Adult Knitting
Every Tuesday at 10 am: Listen Up! Drop-in story time for preschoolers

Date & Time	Free Programs
1 Sa.	CLOSED for New Year's Day (also closing at 5 pm on 12/31)
2 Su.	CLOSED
4 Tu. 11:30 am	Film: *Shackleton's Antarctic Adventure*
4 Tu. 12:15 pm	Film: *Cruise Alaska*
4 Tu. 4-5:30 pm	Family Chess
4 Tu. 7 pm	Teen Library Council (TLC)
5 We. 10 am	Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2007*
5 We. 1 pm	Senior Center Book Talk: Top Picks for Book Clubs North Shore Senior Center in Morton Grove: 6140 Dempster
5 We. 7 pm	Mother Daughter Book Club: *Emma Dilemma and the New Nanny* (Gr. 3-4) *
6 Th. 7 pm	Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint 2007*
7 Fr. 9:30 am	WIA Orientation
8 Sa. 10-4 pm	Crafty Saturday
8 Sa. 10:30 am	Bundle Up Stories (Birth-Preschool)
8 Sa. 2 pm	*Baby, It's Cold Outside!* Concert
9 Su. 1 pm	*Simon Says, Come to the Library for Our Read to Succeed Kick-Off!*
9 Su. 2 pm	Adult Winter Library Challenge Kick-Off
9 Su. 2 pm	Teen Winter Library Challenge Kick-Off
10 Mo.	Start of the Winter Library Challenge
10 Mo. 2 pm	*Biography of Barbra Streisand*
10 Mo. 2 pm	Introduction to Microsoft Word 2007*
10 Mo. 7 pm	Read to the Rainbow Dogs*
10 Mo. 7 pm	Tech Savvy Mondays: Audiobooks*
11 Tu. 10 am	You Can't Google This: Financial Resources*
11 Tu. 11:30 am	*Golden Age of Radio* presented by Steve Darnall
12 We. 2 pm	Web Wednesdays: Save Money with Online Coupons*
12 We. 7 pm	Introduction to Microsoft Access*
13 Th. 2 pm	Setting up an E-mail Account - Gmail*
13 Th. 6:30 pm	*Coloring: It's Not JUST for Little Kids** (Gr 3–6)
13 Th. 7 pm	Library Board Meeting
14 Fr. 1 pm	Film: *The Way We Were*

FEBRUARY 201

1 Tu. 11:30 am	Film: *St. Paul Winter Carnival*
1 Tu. 12:35 pm	Film: *Horse*
1 Tu. 4-5:30 pm	Family Chess
1 Tu. 6:30-8:30 pm	Preschool and Child Care Fair (at the Skokie Public Library)
1 Tu. 7 pm	Teen Library Council (TLC)
2 We. 1 pm	Senior Center Book Talk: Romantic Fiction North Shore Senior Center in Morton Grove: 6140 Dempster
2 We. 2 pm	Film: *Groundhog Day*
2 We. 7 pm	Mother Daughter Book Club: *Clementine* (Gr. 3-4) *
3 Th. 10 am	Getting Started on the Web, Part 2*
3 Th. 7 pm	Do More with Word 2007*
4 Fr. 9:30 am	WIA Orientation
4 Fr. 10 am	Setting up and E-mail Account - Gmail*
4 Fr. 2 pm	Film: *High Society*
5 Sa. 10 am	Moovin' and Groovin'(Toddlers) *
5 Sa. 1 pm	DIY Craft: *Quilled Snowflakes**
5 Sa. 2 pm	*Polar Explorations* presented by Keith Heger
7 Mo. 2 pm	Make Free Phone Calls using Skype*
7 Mo. 7 pm	Mango Club
8 Tu. 10 am	Beginning Mouse Workshop*
8 Tu. 11:30 am	Film: *Eat, Pray, Love*
9 We. 2 pm	Web Wednesdays: Find More of the Books You Love*
9 We. 7 pm	Computer Lab: Microsoft Office 2007*
10 Th. 10 am	Getting Started on the Web, Part 3*
10 Th. 2 pm	Film: *The Star*
10 Th. 6:30 pm	Hoo Barfed?*
10 Th. 7 pm	Library Board Meeting
11 Fr. 10 am	E-mail Clinic*
11 Fr. 1 pm	Film: *Murphy's Romance*
11 Fr. 2 pm	Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2007*
11 Fr. 4 pm	Kids Flicks: *Open Season 3*
12 Sa. 10-4 pm	Craft Saturday
12 Sa. 2 pm	Magical Balloon-Dude Dale Presents: *I ❤ Balloons!*
13 Su. 2 pm	*From the Heart:* A Valentine Concert with Myles and Ray
14 Mo. 2 pm	Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint 2007*
14 Mo. 2 pm	*Biography of Frank Sinatra*
14 Mo. 7 pm	Tech Savvy Mondays: eBooks*
15 Tu. 11:30 am	*Romantic Music from Around the World*

11 CALENDAR

To register for programs, go to: calendar.webrary.org; call 847-929-5101, or stop by the Reference Services or Youth Services Desk.

Every Tuesday at 11:30 am: Movies, Munchies & More! for adults

Every Friday at 11 am and third Saturday at 10 am: Wee Read Lapsit – for infants from 0–24 mo.

Date & Time	Free Programs
14 Fr. 4 pm	Kids Flicks: *Alpha and Omega*
15 Sa. 2 pm	Film: *Captain January*
16 Su. 2 pm	Lyric Opera Profile: *Girl of the Golden West*
17 Mo. 11 am	*Create Peace: Creative Paper Mosaic Mural*
17 Mo. 12:30 pm	*Build Peace: Ultimate Lego Build Challenge*
17 Mo. 2 pm	Do More with Word 2007*
17 Mo. 2 pm	Spellbinder presents: *African American Magical History and Magic Show*
17 Mo. 7 pm	Mango Club
18 Tu. 11:30 am	Film: *Great Hearts of Courage, Part 1*
18 Tu. 7 pm	LitLounge Book Swap at the Curragh
19 We. 10 am	Do More with Excel 2007*
19 We. 2-4 pm	Scrabble and Chess for Adults
19 We. 6 pm	Gettin' Saucy Teen Cooking Class*
19 We. 7 pm	Friends of the Library Meeting
20 Th. 10 am	Beginning Mouse Workshop*

Date & Time	Free Programs
20 Th. 2&7 pm	Feature Film: *Winter's Bone*
20 Th. 7 pm	Do More with PowerPoint 2007*
21 Fr. 2 pm	Film: *Funny Girl*
23 Su. 2 pm	Super-Duper Sunday Stories (Gr. 2-4)*
23 Su. 2 pm	Critics Choice Cinema: TBA
24 Mo. 2 pm	Advanced Word 2007*
24 Mo. 7 pm	Read to the Rainbow Dogs*
24 Mo. 7 pm	Best Teen Books 2010
25 Tu. 11:30 am	Film: *The Birdcage*
25 Tu. 7 pm	Improv Club
26 We. 2 pm	E-mail Clinic*
26 We. 7 pm	Do More with Access*
27 Th. 9:30-3:30	Job Seeker Workshop*
27 Th. 10 am	Getting Started on the Web, Part 1*
27 Th. 7 pm	Introduction to Microsoft Word 2007*
29 Sa. 10 am	Card-Making Extravaganza for All Ages
31 Mo. 2 pm	Getting Started on Facebook*

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15 Tu. 2 pm	Windows 7 Basics*
15 Tu. 7 pm	LitLounge at the Curragh: discussion of *The Lazarus Project*
16 We. 10 am	Computer Lab: The Web*
16 We. 2-4 pm	Scrabble and Chess for Adults
16 We. 7 pm	Friends of the Library Meeting
17 Th. 10 am	All Booked Up book discussion: *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet*
17 Th. 2 pm	Creating Greeting Cards with Word 2007*
17 Th. 2&7 pm	Feature Film: *The Kids Are All Right*
18 Fr. 2 pm	Do More with Excel 2007*
18 Fr. 4-6 pm	Reader's Theater Featuring *Where the Wild Things Are and Faraway Home* (Ages 7-12)*
19 Sa. 1 pm	Film: *Happy Feet*
19 Sa. 3 pm	Film: *March of the Penguins*
20 Su. 2 pm	*History of the Morton Grove Police Department*
21 Mo. 11:30 am	Teen Video Gaming
21 Mo. 2 pm	Discovery Center and Museum Presents: *The Physics Forces and Motion Show*
21 Mo. 7 pm	Improv Club

22 Tu. 10 am	You Can't Google This - Health Resources*
22 Tu. 11:30 am	Film: *Great Hearts of Courage, Part 2*
22 Tu. 6 pm	Gettin' Saucy Teen Cooking Class*
22 Tu. 7 pm	Thinking Out Loud book discussion: *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet*
23 We. 10 am	Children's Dental World Presents: Dental Health Fun
24 Th. 9:30-3:30	Job Seeker Workshop*
24 Th. 10 am	Making Google Personal*
25 Fr. 2 pm	Film: *Blades of Glory*
26 Sa. 10 am	Saturday Wee Read (Birth-24 months)
26 Sa. 10 am	Get Hooked: *Embossing**
27 Su. 2 pm	Super-Duper Sunday Stories*
27 Su. 2 pm	Critics Choice Cinema: TBA
28 Mo. 2 pm	Film: *From Here to Eternity*
28 Mo. 2 pm	Do More with PowerPoint 2007*
28 Mo. 7 pm	Read to the Rainbow Dogs*
28 Mo. 7 pm	R.E.A.D.: Read, Eat, and Discuss - Teen book discussion: *Life As We Knew It*

**Registration required*

JANUARY FILMS

***Shackleton's Antarctic Adventure* (2002, NR, 40 min.)**
Tues., Jan. 4, 11:30 am
Documentary. Kevin Spacey narrates.

***Cruise Alaska* (2003, NR, 88 min.)**
Tues., Jan. 4, 12:15 pm
Travelogue.

The Way We Were
(1973, PG, 118 min.)
Fri., Jan. 14, 1 pm
Romantic musical.
Cast: Robert Redford, Barbra Streisand, Bradford Dillman, Patrick O'Neal.

Kids Flicks
***Alpha and Omega* (2010, PG, 78 min.)**
Fri., Jan. 14, 4 pm
Animated feature. Voices: Justin Long, Hayden Panettiere, Dennis Hopper, Danny Glover.

***Captain January* (1936, G, 76 min.)**
Sat., Jan. 15, 2 pm
Musical drama. Cast: Shirley Temple, Guy Kibbee, Buddy Ebsen.

Great Hearts of Courage, Part 1
(2010, NR, 90 min.)
Tues., Jan. 18, 11:30 am
Documentary. Interviews with Billy Graham, Martin Luther King, Jr., and Nelson Mandela. *Part 2* will be shown February 22.

Feature Film: *Winter's Bone*
(2010, R, 100 min.)
Thurs., Jan. 20, 2 and 7 pm
Drama. Cast: Jennifer Lawrence, Dale Dickey, John Hawkes, Kevin Brezhattan.

***Funny Girl* (1968, G, 155 min.)**
Fri., Jan. 21, 2 pm
Musical. Cast: Barbra Streisand, Omar Sharif, Anne Francis, Walter Pidgeon.

Critics Choice Cinema
Sun., Jan. 23, 2 pm
TBA. See first-run, award-wining independent and foreign films from film festivals such as those held in Venice, Berlin, Toronto, and more. For details about each film, see flyers posted in the Library, check online at calendar.webrary.org, or call the Reference Services Desk at 847-929-5101. Licensing requirements limit attendance at Critics Choice Cinema showings to fifty. First come, first served. Doors open at 1 pm. Discussions follow the films.

***The Birdcage* (1996, R, 119 min.)**
Tues., Jan. 25, 11:30 am
Comedy. Cast: Robin Williams, Nathan Lane, Gene Hackman.

FEBRUARY FILMS

St. Paul Winter Carnival
(2009, NR, 60 min.)
Tues., Feb. 1, 11:30 am
Documentary.

***Horse* (2009, NR, 62 min.)**
Tues., Feb. 1, 12:35 pm
Documentary. Martin Sheen narrates.

Groundhog Day
(1993, PG-13, 101 min.)
Wed., Feb. 2, 2 pm
Documentary. Cast: Bill Murray, Andie MacDowell, Chris Elliott.

***High Society* (1956, NR, 107 min.)**
Fri., Feb. 4, 2 pm
Musical comedy. Cast: Bing Crosby, Grace Kelly, Frank Sinatra, Celeste Holm, Louis Armstrong.

***Eat, Pray, Love* (2010, PG-13, 133 min.)**
Tues., Feb. 8, 11:30 am
Drama. Cast: Javier Bardem, James Franco, Julia Roberts.

***The Star* (1952, NR, 90 min.)**
Thurs., Feb. 10, 11:30 am
Drama. Cast: Bette Davis, Sterling Hayden, Natalie Wood.

Murphy's Romance
Fri., Feb. 11, 1 pm
Romantic comedy. Cast: Sally Field, James Garner.

Kids Flicks: *Open Season 3*
(2010, PG, 75 min.)
Fri., Feb. 11, 4 pm
Animated feature. Voices: Martin Lawrence, Ashton Kutcher, Gary Sinise.

Feature Film: *The Kids Are All Right*
(2010, R, 107 min.)
Thurs., Feb. 17, 2 and 7 pm
Comedy. Cast: Annette Bening, Josh Hutcherson, Julianne Moore, Mark Ruffalo.

Happy Feet
(Animated; 2006, PG, 109 min.)
Sat., Feb. 19, 1–2:45 pm
Animated feature. Voices: Elijah Wood, Brittany Murphy, Hugh Jackman, Nicole Kidman, Robin Williams.

March of the Penguins
(2005, G, 80 min.)
Sat., Feb. 19, 3 pm
Documentary. Morgan Freeman narrates.

Great Hearts of Courage, Part 2
(2007, NR, 90 min.)
Tues., Feb. 22, 11:30 am
Documentary. Interviews with C.S. Lewis, Alexander Solzhenitsyn, Mother Teresa, Elie Wiesel.

***Blades of Glory* (2007, PG-13, 93 min.)**
Fri., Feb. 25, 2 pm
Comedy. Cast: Will Ferrell, Jon Heder, Will Arnett, Amy Poehler.

Critics Choice Cinema
Sun., Feb. 27, 2 pm
TBA. See description in January films.

From Here to Eternity
(1953, NR, 118 min. B&W)
Mon., Feb. 28, 2 pm
Drama. Cast: Burt Lancaster, Frank Sinatra, Montgomery Clift, Deborah Kerr, Donna Reed, Ernest Borgnine.

For details about these films, call the Reference Services Desk at 847-929-5101, go to calendar.webrary.org, or pick up a flyer at the Library.

READERS' CORNER

Leah White, Readers Services Librarian

Welcome to the Reader's Corner! Are you looking for a good book? Then come check out one of our book-centered programs! Learn about potential new reads or join in a discussion with other book lovers. The Morton Grove Public Library is your source for what to read next.

Adult Winter Library Challenge Kick-Off

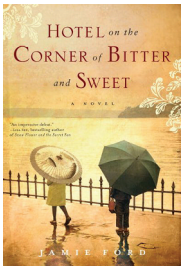
Sun., Jan. 9, 2–3 pm

Come to a book talk about recommended reads for the Winter Library Challenge, **Sled and Skate to the Library**. Share your favorite books to read when the days get shorter and the sleds and skates come out of storage! From cozy mysteries to hot thrillers, you can find the perfect book for you!

Book Discussion Groups

The ballot for our 2011 Book Discussion groups is now available! Come vote on what we should read next year! For more details, please ask at the Reference Desk.

Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet by Jamie Ford



When artifacts from Japanese families sent to internment camps during World War II are uncovered during renovations at a Seattle hotel, Henry Lee embarks on a quest that leads to memories of growing up Chinese in a city rife with anti-Japanese sentiment.

Come to one of two meeting times. New members are welcome!

All Booked Up
Thurs., Feb. 17, 10 am

Thinking Out Loud
Tues., Feb. 22, 7 pm

NEW! LitLounge at The Curragh

LitLounge

We're excited to announce LitLounge, a new book group co-sponsored by the Skokie Public Library and the Morton Grove Public Library on the third Tuesday of each month at the Irish Pub, The Curragh, 8266 Lincoln Avenue, Skokie.

LitLounge: Book Swap
Tues., Jan. 18, 7 pm

Come to our first joint event, a book swap. Trade books with other literary-minded folks, have a drink, and socialize! All you need to bring is a book to trade! We hope to see you there!

LitLounge: *The Lazarus Project* by Aleksander Hemon
Tues., Feb. 15, 7 pm

The murder of Jewish immigrant Lazarus Averbuch triggers ethnic and political tensions in early twentieth-century Chicago, an event that is investigated a century later by a young writer from Eastern Europe.

Online Book Discussions

facebook **Facebook Book Group**

Step 1: Log into your Facebook Account
Step 2: "Like" the Morton Grove Public Library
Step 3: Keep an eye on your News Feed for our book discussion questions!

January: *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak

Trying to make sense of the horrors of World War II, Death, the narrator, relates the story of Liesel, a young German girl whose book-stealing and story-telling talents help sustain her family and the Jewish man they are hiding, as well as their neighbors.

February: Graphic Novels

Graphic novels are so much fun we couldn't pick just one! Do you love graphic novels too? Then come discuss your favorites, suggest titles to others or even warn your fellow readers about which graphic novels are less than awesome. We will be posting suggested reads, staff favorites and more.

Book Talks

Leah White will be at the North Shore Senior Center of Morton Grove, 6140 Dempster St., for two special book talks. Come and enjoy:

Top Picks for Book Clubs
Wed., Jan. 5, 1–2 pm

Picking a good book for your book club can be a tricky task. Come learn about great resources for book clubs, talk about your favorite book club selections and learn about the great titles available at the Morton Grove Public Library. Bring your library card! Books will be available for checkout.

Romantic Fiction
Wed., Feb. 2, 1–2 pm

Love is in the air and so is romantic fiction! Whether you are a long-time fan of the genre or just interested in starting a new book, come learn about great romantic books from the Morton Grove Public Library. Bring your library card! Books will be available for checkout.

Movies, Munchies and More

The Library hosts a weekly program that provides entertainment and education, plus light refreshments, every Tuesday at 11 am. You'll hear interesting speakers, see feature films and documentaries, enjoy live music, and meet fascinating people. You can bring your lunch or just enjoy coffee and munchies.

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Tues., Jan. 4, 11:30 am

Film: *Cruise Alaska* (2003, NR, 88 min.)
Tues., Jan. 4, 12:15 pm

Golden Age of Radio
Tues., Jan. 11, 11:30 am
Steve Darnall is the host of WDCB-FM's *Those Were the Days* and *Radio's Golden Age* on yesteryearusa.com. His father, Jack, introduced him to the Golden Age of Radio when he turned the dial to Chuck Schaden's *Those Were the Days* to listen to the sounds of Fibber McGee and Molly, Amos and Andy, Bob Hope, the Shadow, and many more internationally famous and locally obscure radio personas. Come and listen to sound clips of radio programs from back in the day and learn about the many ways radio has affected America.

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Tues., Jan. 18, 11:30 am

Film: *The Birdcage* (1996, R, 119 min.)
Tues., Jan. 25, 11:30 am

FEBRUARY

Film: *St. Paul Winter Carnival* (2009, NR, 60 min.)
Tues., Feb. 1, 11:30 am

Film: *Horse* (2009, NR, 62 min.)
Tues., Feb. 1. 12:35 pm

Romantic Music from Around the World
Tues., Feb. 15, 11:30 am
Mike Basin plays many instruments and performs folk, popular, jazz, and traditional tunes from all over the world. Join us for a concert of romantic music from Russia, Romania, Hungary, and many other countries.

Film: *Great Hearts of Courage, Part 2*
Tues., Feb. 22, 11:30 am

Spotlight: Melissa Mayberry, Reference Services

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Office. Handouts created by Melissa and several other librarians help patrons review material learned in the workshop independently, either on their own computers at home or on the library's public computers.

Melissa is constantly working on developing new workshops and is always happy to get your suggestions on what new technology topic you would like us to feature next.

So if you have not attended any of our workshops yet, it might be a perfect time to do just that: New Year – New Computer Skills!

And if you have not yet met Melissa, stop by the Reference Desk and say, "Hi." She and the rest of the Library's reference staff are always ready to assist with your information or research needs.

Natalya Fishman
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Baby, It's Cold Outside!

Sat., Jan. 8, 2 pm

Back by popular demand: The fabulous vocals of Laura Freeman accompanied on piano by the incredible Beckie Menzie, will surely warm the cockles of your heart as these two talented musicians perform songs with a wintry theme.

NEW Adult Knitting

Mondays, 3 pm

Do you want to learn how to knit? Knitting expert Ronnie Rund will help you untangle "knotty" problems. Bring needles and yarn for your own project or try out the sample projects in the Activity Room (lower level).

Get Hooked: Embossing

Sat., Feb. 26, 10 am
Learn how to emboss cards and invitations. Materials will be provided. Ages 12 and up. Reg. req.; limited to 20.

Exhibits

Feb. 1–28
Embrace the Night, an exhibit of original acrylic paintings by Lorrisa Julianus, will be displayed in the Baxter Room through the month of February.

Scrabble and Chess for Adults

Note new time!
Wed., Jan. 19, 2–4 pm
Wed., Feb. 16, 2–4 pm
Challenge your brain! Adults are invited to play friendly, non-competitive games of chess and Scrabble. Light refreshments are served.

Biography: Barbra Streisand

Mon., Jan. 10, 2 pm

Popular biographer and music historian Jack Diamond will chronicle the life and music of Barbra Streisand.

The Library will be showing two Streisand films in January: *The Way We Were* on Fri., Jan. 14, at 1 pm, and *Funny Girl* on Fri., Jan. 21, at 2 pm.

Lyric Opera Profile: *The Girl of the Golden West*

Sun., Jan. 16, 2 pm

Minnie is the pistol-packing, poker-playing proprietress of the Polka Saloon, and every miner in camp hopes to claim her, even Sheriff Rance. However, the *Girl of the Golden West* is in love with a tall dark stranger – the bank robber Ramerrez in disguise. Larry Lapidus of Lyric Opera of Chicago presents a profile of Giacomo Puccini's love story, *Girl of the Golden West.*

Polar Explorations

Sat., Feb. 5, 2 pm

The enormous polar wilderness, a nearly untouchable void, is a magical land with intense consequences, risks and rewards. How, why, and where does one access this unimaginable, remote, and beautiful world? Keith Heger is a Morton Grove resident and Program Director for The Northwest Passage. He has led expeditions to the North Pole, South Pole, has crossed Greenland on skis, and recently returned from a successful summit of Denali, the tallest peak in North America. He will show his fascinating documentary, *Into the Cold*, and describe how explorers cope with the extreme cold, the impact of global warming, and the many challenges of managing people and animals in an expedition.

Valentine's Day Concert by the Myles and Ray Duo

Sun., Feb. 13, 2 pm

Keyboard artist Myles Greene and vocalist Ray Lozano will perform romantic melodies by Frank Sinatra, Willie Nelson, Johnny Mathis, and many other favorites.

Biography: Frank Sinatra

Mon., Feb. 14, 2 pm

For Valentine's Day, biographer Jack Diamond will discuss the many talents of crooner and actor Frank Sinatra and will play excerpts of some of Ole Blue Eyes' most popular hits. Please note: the Library will be showing two Sinatra films: *High Society* on Fri., Feb. 4, at 2 pm, and *From Here to Eternity* on Thurs., Feb. 24, at 2 pm.

The History of the Morton Grove Police Department

Sun., Feb. 20, 2 pm

Meet Police Chief Mark Erickson and learn about Morton Grove's finest. Co-sponsored by the Morton Grove Historical Society.

Job Searching

Be sure to check out the new College and Career Resources collection in the Reference Room. You'll find books, pamphlets, flyers and other materials about college admissions, occupations, exam preparation, and career resources.

Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Orientation

Fri., Jan. 7, 9:30 – 11:30 am
Fri., Feb. 4, 9:30 – 11:30 am

The Workforce Investment Act of 1998 provides the framework for a unique national workforce preparation and employment system designed to meet the needs of both job seekers and those who want to further their careers. Learn about what services are available and what assistance you qualify for while searching for a job. To register, go to: http://www.worknetncc.com or call 847-847-864-3530.

Employment Power Workshop

Thurs., Jan. 27, 9:30 am – 3:30 pm
Fri., Feb. 24, 9:30 am – 3:30 pm

All-day Job Seeker Workshops provided by employment coaches from Illinois WorkNet

* Bring your own lunch; coffee and water will be provided.

(1) Résumé/Cover Letter: expert guidance on writing résumés and cover letters that get results.

(2) Job Search techniques: focuses on effective techniques to find jobs in today's market; includes Internet job search tips and networking strategies.

(3) Interviewing: get the guidance and direction needed for interview preparation. Review the common questions and learn effective ways to answer them. Mock interviews will be conducted to practice your new-found skills and reinforce others.

For additional information about Illinois WorkNet, call 847-864-3530 or go to: www.worknetncc.com.

Registration Is Required for All Computer Workshops

To find out **prerequisites** and to register, check the online calendar at calendar.webrary.org, or call the Reference Services Desk at 847-929-5101. Registration starts two weeks before the event date. **Morton Grove library cardholders have priority**.

Beginning Mouse Workshop

Thurs., Jan. 20, 10 am
Tues., Feb. 8, 10 am

For those with little or no experience using a computer, learn to use a computer mouse.

New! Windows 7 Basics

Lecture-Demo
Tues., Feb. 15, 2 pm

This Introduction to Windows 7 workshop will cover the desktop, taskbar, creating and managing files and folders, and more.

Web Wednesdays

New Time!

Web Wednesdays workshops address particular Internet topics and problems.

Save Money with Online Coupons
Wed., Jan. 12, 2 pm

Stores and restaurants often offer coupons online. Learn how to easily find them on the web!

Find More of the Books You Love
Wed., Feb. 9, 2 pm

Wondering what to read next? Learn about online resources to expand your choices in fiction and nonfiction.

Web Workshops

Getting Started on the Web, Part 1

Thurs., Jan. 27, 10 am

Attendees will get a basic understanding of the Internet and its related terminology, learn how to enter web addresses (URLs), and navigate webpages.

Getting Started on the Web, Part 2

Thurs., Feb. 3, 10 am

Learn how to navigate between webpages, evaluate information you find on the Web, and do basic searches using Google.

Getting Started on the Web, Part 3

Thurs., Feb. 10, 10 am

Learn how to use a variety of tools to improve and control searches.

Setting Up an E-mail Account – Gmail

Thurs., Jan. 13, 2 pm
Fri., Feb. 4, 10 am

Attendees will register for a free e-mail account, learn how to compose and send e-mail messages, and manage their e-mail.

E-mail Clinic

Wed., Jan. 26, 2 pm
Fri., Feb. 11, 10 am

If you have a Gmail, Hotmail, or Yahoo! E-mail account, come to this workshop to learn how to send group e-mail messages and how to attach a photo or a document to your e-mail. Attend this class to get answers to your questions about web-based e-mail, and spend some time practicing new skills. **Must have an active e-mail account prior to registration.**

Getting Started on Facebook

Mon., Jan. 31, 2 pm

Learn how to set up an account and select privacy settings, find friends, and update your status. **Must have an active e-mail account prior to registration.**

Make Free Phone Calls Using Skype

Mon., Feb. 7, 2 pm

Learn how to make free voice and video calls over the Internet using free software from Skype. Attendees will set up an account, learn how to make calls, add contacts and more. Registration is limited to 3. **Must have an active e-mail account prior to registration.**

Making Google Personal

Thurs., Feb. 24, 10 am

Learn how to personalize your Google experience with an iGoogle homepage, calendar, and more. **Must have an active e-mail account prior to registration.**

NEW! You Can't Google This – Financial Resources

Tues., Jan. 11, 10 am

There are many premium financial resources accessible from your home computer (MGPL cardholders only) or in the Library. Learn how to use *Standard and Poor's NetAdvantage, Financial Rating Series* (formerly *The Street.com),* and *Business Source Premier* to manage your investments.

NEW! You Can't Google This – Health Resources

Tue., Feb. 22, 10 am

There are many premium health resources accessible from your home computer (MGPL cardholders only) or in the Library. Learn how to use EBSCOHost's *Health Source* and *Alt-Health Watch* to research health information on the web.

NEW! Computer Lab: The Web

Wed., Feb. 16, 10 am

For those who have attended web workshops such as: *Getting Started on the Web, Getting Started on Facebook, Setting Up and Using LinkedIn,* and others. Come in to practice your skills with assistance from a librarian.

COMPUTER HANDS-ON WORKSHOPS

Microsoft Office Workshops

Introduction to Word 2007
Mon., Jan. 10, 2 pm
Thurs., Jan. 27, 7 pm
Learn how to create, format, proof, print, and save documents using Word 2007.

Do More with Word 2007
Mon., Jan. 17, 2 pm
Thurs., Feb. 3, 7 pm
Learn about page layouts, templates, columns, headers, and more.

Advanced Word 2007
Mon., Jan. 24, 2 pm
Learn how to create tables and charts, and work with clip art. Get tips for creating flyers and greeting cards.

Create Greeting Cards with Word 2007
Thurs., Feb. 17, 2 pm
Save money by using Microsoft Word to create your own greeting cards! Attendees will learn how to make simple cards using free ClipArt images or their own digital photographs. Sample photos for uploading will be provided, or bring your own photos on a flash drive.

Introduction to Excel 2007
Wed., Jan. 5, 10 am
Fri., Feb. 11, 2 pm
Learn fundamental spreadsheet skills: opening a worksheet, entering/editing data, and simple formatting.

Do More with Excel 2007
Wed., Jan. 19, 10 am
Fri., Feb. 18, 2 pm
Learn to perform calculations, sort/filter data, and customize formatting.

NEW! Introduction to Access 2007
Wed., Jan. 12, 7 pm
Learn how to create a database by developing tables and forms, entering and editing data, and creating simple queries and reports.

NEW! Do More with Access 2007
Wed., Jan. 26, 7 pm
This workshop will take a more advanced look at creating queries, reports and forms.

Introduction to PowerPoint 2007
Thurs., Jan. 6, 7 pm
Mon., Feb. 14, 2 pm
Learn how to create, edit, and ave slides using text, photos, clip art, and more to design effective presentations for work, home, or school.

Do More with PowerPoint 2007
Thurs., Jan. 20, 7 pm
Mon., Feb. 28, 2 pm
Learn how to add tables and hyperlinks, use transitions and animations, and create a customized template slide.

NEW! Computer Lab: Office 2007
Wed., Feb. 9, 7 pm
For those who have attended one of the following workshops: Word 2007, Excel 2007 or PowerPoint 2007. Come in to practice your skills with assistance from a librarian.

Tech Savvy Workshops are moving to Mondays! Enjoy our tech talks in an informal setting, at a new time.

Tech Savvy Mondays

These workshops feature technology and computer-related presentations and workshops on the second Monday of every month. These are lecture-demos, not hands-on workshops. Coffee and light refreshments are provided.

Audiobooks: Everything You Wanted to Know About Downloadable Audiobooks But Didn't Know How to Ask!
Mon., Jan. 10, 7 pm
Learn how to access, select and download audiobooks to your computer or MP3 player from home or at the Library.

eBooks: Everything You Wanted to Know About eBooks and e-Readers but Didn't Know How to Ask!
Mon., Feb. 14, 7 pm
Learn how to access, select and download eBooks to your computer or e-Reader from home. Librarians will discuss formats and features of popular e-Readers.

From the Director's Desk

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We'll let you know the final results as soon as we know.

MAKING SPACE FOR BLURAY DVDS
You may have noticed the new metal shelving installed near the DVD collection. Some of this space holds the remains of the VHS tape collection and some overflow from the DVD section. The rest will hold the new BluRay DVDs that will begin to arrive in January. As always, we welcome your suggestions for titles to add to this new collection.

I wish you all an easy winter, but if a major storm is forecast, come by and get a book, audio Book or DVD (or two) to keep you company as the snow falls.

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MGPL is a public building; any public building may be potentially dangerous for a child who is left unattended. In order to ensure the safety of all of MGPL's patrons, children under the age of 8 must be accompanied at all times by a parent or responsible caregiver (high school age or older) while in the Library.

Changes and Cancellations
Classes, programs, and films are subject to change and may be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances. Please call the Library at 847-929-5101 (for adult and teen programs) or 847-929-5102 (for children's programs) to confirm scheduled events.

SPOTLIGHT: Melissa Mayberry

Reference Services

"Very kind and helpful!" "An excellent instructor!" "Very capable and patient!" "Knowledgeable!" "Great personality!" These and many other similar patron comments refer to Melissa Mayberry, the library's Reference/Technology Instruction Librarian.

Melissa has been with MGPL since 2008. She started as a part-time librarian, but a year later was hired as a full-time staffer. You might have seen Melissa at the Reference Desk, had your question answered by her over the phone or during our Tech Fest 2010 event, or perhaps you have attended one of the computer workshops she teaches. Melissa enjoys being a librarian and providing assistance to patrons in researching topics, using computers, and providing readers advisory assistance.

Most of all she enjoys providing computer instruction to patrons. As part of her job responsibilities, Melissa coordinates the class schedule, in addition to developing and presenting many of the classes herself. Melissa loves to teach and thrives in the classroom environment: helping patrons of all ages and computer abilities master their computer skills gives her great personal satisfaction.

MGPL provides lecture/demo-style and hands-on computer instruction on multiple topics ranging from mouse skills and Introduction to the Web, to Facebook, Twitter and Microsoft

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LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Close at 5 pm, on Fri., Dec. 31, for New Year's Eve

Sat., Jan. 1 and Sun., Jan. 2, for New Year's Day

The building will be closed but online services are available 24/7/365. Go to 24-7.webrary.org.

HOURS

Monday – Thursday 9–9
Friday 9–6
Saturday 9–5
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